

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, under CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS
please substitute the following new paragraph for the existing paragraph:

A1 --This application claims an invention disclosed in U. S. Application Serial
No. 09/139,783, filed August 25, 1998 which claimed priority from Provisional Applica-
tion Serial No. 60/056,805, filed August 25, 1997.--

Page 4, line 4, change "0.05 Mn" to -- 0.05 μ m --.

Page 4, line 17, change "distributes" to -- distribution --.

Page 19, line 14, change "have" to -- has --.

Page 22, line 16, change "high" to -- higher --.

Page 25, line 11, after "refinement can", add -- be --.

Page 25, line 17, change "to respectively. titanium" to -- to, respectively,
titanium --.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

A3 --20. (New) A macroporous ceramic having micropores of substantially
uniform diameter uniformly dispersed therein.

--21. (New) The macroporous ceramic of claim 20 in which said pores
are in the range of 0.5 μ m to 5 μ m micrometers.

--22. (New) The macroporous ceramic of claim 20 in which the ceramic
is a metal oxide.

--23. (New) The macroporous ceramic of claim 20 in which said metal
oxide is selected from titanium dioxide, zirconium dioxide and silicon dioxide.